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REMARKS

The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of objection and/or rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicant asserts that the present invention is new, non-obvious and useful. Prompt consideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 1-52 are pending in the application. Claims 17, 19, 20, 43 and 45-52 have been objected to. Claims 1-16, 18, 21-42 and 44 have been rejected. Claims 1 and 27 have been amended.

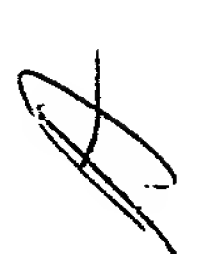
Allowable Subject Matter

In the Office Action, the Examiner stated that claims 17, 19-20 and 45-52 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant notes with thanks the allowability of claims 17, 19-20 and 45-52. Claims 17 and 19-20 depend, directly or indirectly from independent claim 1 and claims and 45-52 depend, directly or indirectly from independent claim 27, now deemed allowable and therefore include all the limitations of those claims. Therefore, Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 17, 19-20 and 45-52 are likewise allowable.

Remarks to the Abstract

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to the Abstract because it was missing from the application. An abstract is enclosed with this response on a separate sheet, to be inserted at the end of the application. In view of this, the examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw this objection.



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Remarks to the Oath (Declaration)

In the office action the examiner found the oath / declaration to be defective. A supplemental oath / declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.67(a) is attached hereto.

Remarks to the Specification

The amendments to the specification are editorial in nature and do not introduce new matter.

CLAIM REJECTIONS


35 U.S.C. § 102 Rejections

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-4, 16, 21-32, 38-42 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), as being anticipated by Young et al. (US 5,762,552). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection in view of the remarks that follow.

Young et al. does not teach or suggest, inter alia, "displaying in the monitor at the player's station the action involving an element of chance as the action occurs at the selected game device, taken by said electronic camera" as recited in amended independent claims 1 and 27. Therefore, Young et al. cannot anticipate claims 1 and 27, as amended. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully asserts that amended independent claims 1 and 27 are allowable. Claims 2-4, 16, 21-26, 28-32 and 38-42 depend from, directly or indirectly, claims 1 and 27, and therefore include all the limitations of those claims. Therefore, Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 2-4, 16, 21-26, 28-32 and 38-42 are likewise allowable. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejections to amended independent claims 1 and 27 and to claims 2-4, 16, 21-26, 28-32 and 38-42 dependent thereon.

35 U.S.C. § 103 Rejections

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 5-15 and 33-37 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as being unpatentable over Young et al. in view of Penzias (US 5,397,133).




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Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of claims 5-15 and 33-37 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

The combination of Young et al. and Penzias does not teach or suggest all the limitations of claims 1 and 27 (independent), nor does it teach or suggest all the limitations of dependent claims 5-15 and 33-37. Young et al. has been discussed above. That discussion is applicable here. Penzias is also silent as to "displaying in the monitor at the player's station the action involving an element of chance as the action occurs at the selected game device, taken by said electronic camera" and therefore cannot cure the deficiencies of Young et al. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully asserts that this rejection should be withdrawn.

Claims 18 and 44 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as being unpatentable over Young et al. in view of Levy (US 3,909,002).

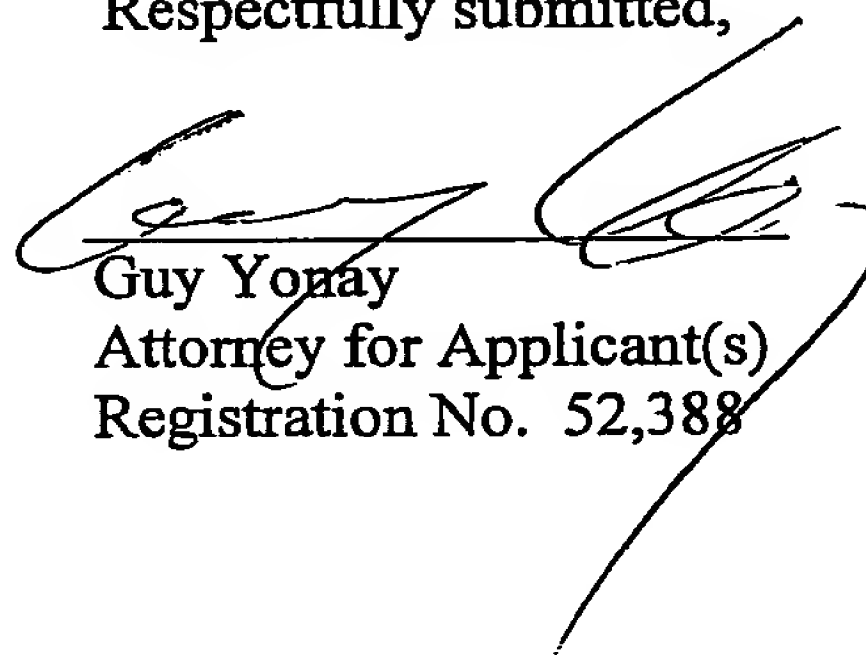
Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of claims 18 and 44 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). The combination of Young et al. and Penzias does not teach or suggest all the limitations of claims 1 and 27 (independent), nor does it teach or suggest all the limitations of dependent claims 18 and 44. Young et al. has been discussed above. That discussion is applicable here. Levy is also silent as to "displaying in the monitor at the player's station the action involving an element of chance as the action occurs at the selected game device, taken by said electronic camera" and therefore cannot cure the deficiencies of Young et al. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully asserts that this rejection should be withdrawn.



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In view of the above amendments and remarks it is submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Prompt notice of allowance is respectfully requested.

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